

**Amendments to the Specification:**

At Page 2 starting at line 9 please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

This application also relates to co-pending application No. 09/849,621, [[\_\_\_\_\_]]  
(Attorney Docket Number DT:0102 filed May 5, 2001, entitled “”Apparatus For Merchandise  
Promotion Optimization”, by Michael Neal, Krishna Venkatraman, Suzanne Valentine, Phil  
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